

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JULY 6, 2004

- I. Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 7:07 P.M.
 - A. Opening Prayer was given by Greg Tatum, Senior Minister at First Christian Church.
 - B. Pledge – Mayor Armstrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - C. Roll Call: Present: John Brown, Ann Devore, George Dutro, Robert Kittle, Martha Myers, August Tindell, Absent: Craig Hawes.
 - D. Greg Hartwell, Coordinator of City Recycling gave a report on the city's recycling program. He reported on the overall program with specific emphasis on the cardboard and plastic part of the operation. He indicated business continues to increase.
 - E. Hershel Frierson of Crowe Chizek and Company reported he had preliminarily completed the reconciliation for 2002 and 2003 for the Clerk-Treasurer's Office for the general fund checking account. He informed the Council there was a \$64,000 difference between bank and book that could not be accounted for in his reconciliation. Brenda Sullivan, City Clerk Treasurer indicated she had spoken with Larry Tipin of the State Board of Accounts and was informed on how to proceed with the over 360 accounting adjustments that will need to be made in the city's financial books.
 - F. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting – Robert Kittle moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting and Ann Devore seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action
 - A. Ordinance No. 11, 2004 returned to Council for Reconsideration of Commitment. Laura Thayer explained the reconsideration of commitment. Steve Ruble, Columbus City Engineer, explained how sidewalks affect drainage. He explained that if a sidewalk was placed on the property in question, there would be roadway improvements needed to allow for proper drainage. Rod Blasdel, Airport Manager spoke of the Master Plan for the Airport as did Jim Pridgin, member of the Airport Board. Ann Devore moved to approve the amended Ordinance No. 11. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 1. Robert Kittle opposed the motion.
 - B. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO. 15, 2004, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP, A PART OF TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, TO REZONE PROPERTIES OF APPROXIMATELY 8 ACRES, CONSISTING OF A BUILDING LOCATED AT 1225 7TH STREET AND INCLUDING ASSOCIATED PARKING AREAS ALONG BOTH SIDES OF 7TH STREET BETWEEN UNION STREET AND WERNER STREET, FROM I-2 (MEDIM INDUSTRIAL) TO B-4 (HIGHWAY BUSINESS) (Reliance Rockwell). Laura Thayer briefly explained the issues before the

Council. The first issue was the conditions of the property as defined in the ITE Trip Generation Manual. It was recommended that it be classified as a Factory Outlet Center. George Dutro made a motion to amend the Ordinance under Section II showing the use being classified as a Factory Outlet Mall as determined by the most recent ITE *Trip Generation Manual*. Ann Devore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. The other issue was Item 3 under Section II that addresses environmental cleanup. Letters from IDEM were presented to Council regarding the property. The owner of the property, Keith Sharp, indicated he was still waiting on one more “no further action” letter from IDEM regarding clean-up of the property. George Dutro made a motion to strike Item 3 under Section II of the Ordinance before the Council. Ann Devore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. George Dutro made a motion to approve the Ordinance as amended. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

- C. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 16, 2004 AN, ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP, A PART OF TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 8.000 SQUARE FEET OF PROPERTY, LOCATED AT 1007 CENTRAL AVENUE IN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, FROM R-4 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO RB (RESTRICTED BUFFER).” (Spoon Rezoning) Laura Thayer briefly explained the Ordinance before the Council. Joel Spoon, representative for the owners of the property, spoke of the positive things that would be accomplished from the rezoning. Martha Myers made a motion to approve the Ordinance. August Tindell seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Ann Devore, George Dutro, Martha Myers and August Tindell voted to approve. John Brown and Robert Kittle voted against the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 2.

III. New Business Requiring Council Action

- A. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.17, 2004, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE STATEMENT OF BENEFIT FORMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1-7.” (Sunright America, Inc.). Judy Jackson, Director of Community Development spoke of Sunright America, Inc.. She indicated this company is a manufacturer of automotive fasteners. A request was made for tax abatement in the amount of \$170, 000 to purchase new manufacturing equipment. With the tax abatement, 39 jobs would be retained and 2 jobs would be created. Judy Jackson introduced Toshiaki Takeuchi, Director of Administration with Sunright America, Inc. who was there representing the company. Robert Kittle indicated this was Sunright America’s fourth (4th) tax abatement. Robert Kittle stated that the Incentive Review Committee met and found the company to be in substantial compliance. Robert Kittle moved to approve the Resolution and August Tindell seconded the motion. Resolution for tax abatement passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- B. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO._____, 2004, A RESOLUTION SUPPLEMENTING COLUMBUS MUNICIPAL

CODE SECTION 2.04.020 AND ORDINANCE NO. 18, 2002, A RESOLUTION TO INCLUDE A DISTRICT MAP OF THE CURENT COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT BOUNDARIES.” Tim Coriden, City Attorney, asked the Council to postpone until next meeting this resolution due to a question on the map that was to be presented. Robert Kittle moved to postpone the Resolution until next meeting. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

IV. Other Business

- A. Discussion on Consolidated Plan – Eric Frey gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Consolidated Plan Process.
- B. Reports were given for informational purposes.
- C. The next scheduled meeting of the Common Council is Tuesday, July 20th, 2004 at 8:00 AM in the Council Chambers.
- D. Adjourn – Martha Myers moved to adjourn. August Tindell seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn passed by a vote of 6 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:58 o’clock P.M.

Presiding Officer of the Common Council

Attest:

Columbus City Clerk Treasurer